Sugarcane production in Andhra Pradesh

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(a) whether it is a fact that to increase the productivity of sugarcane, Government have initiated a scheme called Sustainable Development of Sugarcane Based Cropping system in the country;

(b) if so, the results of scheme in Andhra Pradesh since its inception;

(c) the total increase in production of sugarcane in the State thereby during that period, year-wise;

(d) the number of field demonstrations conducted in the State under this scheme since its inception, year-wise; and

(e) the number of farmers and extension workers trained during that period, year-wise?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR): (a) Sir, to increase the production and productivity of sugarcane, a Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Sustainable Development of Sugarcane Based Cropping System (SUBACS) under Macro Management of Agriculture is under implementation in different States including Andhra Pradesh. The scheme was launched in 1995-96. The scheme provides for assistance for field demonstrations, training of farmers and extension workers, farm implements/machinery, heat treatment plants, production of planting material and drip irrigation.

(b) and (c) There is a positive impact on sugarcane production and productivity because of the implementation of the scheme in the State of Andhra Pradesh. The year-wise area and production of sugarcane in Andhra Pradesh since inception of the scheme, are as under:

(In Number)

Year	Area (Lakh hectares)	Production (Lakh tonnes)
1	2	3
1995-96	2.14	151.80
1996-97	1.99	150.30
1997-98	1.92	139.55

1	2	3
1998-1999	2.14	165.03
1999-2000	2.31	185.08
2000-2001	2.17	176.90
2001-2002	2.18	180.82
2002-2003	2.32	153.87
2003-2004	2.09	150.70
2004-2005	2.10	157.39
2005-2006 (Provisional)	2.30	174.80

(d) and (e) The year-wise number of field demonstrations conducted and farmers and extension workers trained under the sugarcane scheme in Andhra Pradesh since its' inception, are as under:

(In Number)

Year	Field demonstrations	Farmers trained	Extension workers Trained
1995-96	148	420	70
1996-97	204	240	40
1997-98	241	150	25
1998-99	39	1800	300
1999-2000	Not implemented	Not implemented	Not implemented
2000-2001	-do-	-do-	-do-
2001-2002	-do-	-do-	-do-
2002-2003	690	8400	500
2003-2004	736	3000	500
2004-2005	1598	1590	265
2005-2006 (Provisional)	Not implemented	Not implemented	Not implemented